IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

KEVIN JEKEL and ERIN OLSOVSKY

CIVIL ACTION

NO.

UBER TECHNOLOGIES, INC. and

v.

RAISER, LLC and KAREN LYLES

NOTICE OF REMOVAL

Defendant, Karen Lyles by and through her attorneys, Deasey, Mahoney & Valentini, LTD.., hereby removes the above-captioned action, which is presently in the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania at October Term 2019 No. 000170 pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1441 et seq. and in support thereof states as follows:

- 1. On October 7, 2019, Plaintiffs commenced this action by filing a Writ of Summons against the Defendants in the above captioned matter in the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania ("the Philadelphia County Action").
- 2. Plaintiffs, Keven Jekel and Erin Olsovsky are married adult individuals residing at 2644 Collins Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19125 and are citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 3. Defendant, Karen Lyles is an adult individual residing at 215 Labrador Lane, Townsend, Delaware 19734 and is a citizen of the State of Delaware.
- 4. Defendant, Uber Technologies, Inc. is a foreign corporation formed in the Republic of California with a principle place of business in San Francisco, California and is therefore a citizen of the Republic of California.

- 5. Defendant, Raiser, LLC is a foreign corporation formed in the Republic of California with a principle place of business in San Francisco, California and is therefore a citizen of the Republic of California.
- 6. Plaintiff served the Writ of Summons upon Defendant, Karen Lyles by Certified Mail on or about October 11, 2019. A copy of Plaintiff's Affidavit of Service of Plaintiff's Writ of Summons upon Defendant, Karen Lyles by Certified Mail is attached as Exhibit "1."
- 7. On October 29, 2019, Defendant, Karen Lyles filed a Praecipe and Rule upon Plaintiffs, Kevin Jekel and Erin Olsovsky to file a Complaint within twenty (20) days or suffer judgment of non pros. A copy of Defendant, Karen Lyles's Praecipe for Rule to File Complaint is attached as Exhibit "2."
- 8. On October 29, 2019, Plaintiffs filed a Praecipe to Reissue Writ of Summons Filed. A copy of Defendant, Karen Lyles's Praecipe for Rule to File Complaint is attached as Exhibit "3."
- 9. On October 29, 2019, Plaintiffs Writ of Summons was reissued by the Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania.
- 10. On December 11, 2019, Plaintiffs filed their Complaint against Defendants in the Philadelphia County action. A copy of Plaintiff's Complaint is attached as Exhibit "4."
- 11. In their Complaint, Plaintiffs allege that on October 3, 2018, Defendant, Karen Lyles was operating a 2015 Nissan Rogue, Delaware license plate #PC126956, while transporting two passengers as a driver for Uber Technologies, Inc. and/or Raiser, LCC near the intersection of Amber Street and Lehigh Avenue in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. *See*, Exhibit 4 at ¶8.

- 12. Plaintiffs' Complaint alleges that Defendant, Karen Lyles placed her vehicle in reverse and backed up and struck Plaintiff, Kevin Jekel. *See*, Exhibit 4 at ¶ 9.
- 13. Plaintiffs' Complaint alleges that Plaintiff, Kevin Jekel jumped on Defendant, Karen Lyles's hood after the alleged collision and that Defendant, Karen Lyles drove away from the scene with Plaintiff, Kevin Jekel on the hood of her vehicle. *See*, Exhibit 4 at ¶ 12 and 13.
- 14. Plaintiffs' demand judgment against the Defendants "in a sum in excess of \$50,000.00." See, Exhibit 4 at Count I, II and III.
- 15. Plaintiffs allege that as a result of the accident, Plaintiff, Kevin Jekel sustained a closed head injury. See, Exhibit 4 at ¶ 16.
- 16. Plaintiffs aver that Plaintiff, Kevel Jekel sustained a stress fracture. *See*, Exhibit 4 at ¶ 16.
- 17. Plaintiffs further allege that Plaintiff, Keven Jekel suffers from radiculopathy and severe shock to his nerves and nervous system. *See*, Exhibit 4 at ¶ 16.
- 18. Plaintiffs claim that Plaintiff, Kevin Jekel suffered disc protrusions and herniations. See, Exhibit 4 at ¶ 16.
- 19. Plaintiffs' Complaint alleges that Plaintiff, Kevin Jekel sustained bilateral leg injuries. See, Exhibit 4 at ¶ 16.
- 20. Plaintiffs aver that Plaintiff, Kevin Jekel sustained musculoskeletal sprains and strains, and road rash abrasions and contusions, as a result of the incident. *See*, Exhibit 4 at ¶ 16.
- 21. Plaintiffs' Complaint states that the above mentioned injuries are severe and permanent. See, Exhibit 4 at ¶ 16.

- 22. On January 8, 2020, undersigned contacted Plaintiff's counsel in order to request a stipulation that damages in the above captioned matter do not exceed \$75,000.
- 23. On January 8, 2020, Plaintiff's counsel orally refused to stipulate that damages in the above captioned matter do not exceed \$75,000.
- 24. Based upon the damages alleged and Plaintiff's counsel's refusal to stipulate that damages do not exceed \$75,000.00, Defendant believes and avers that Mr. Jekel's damages exceed \$75,000.00.
- 25. This Notice is being filed within thirty days after Defendants received Plaintiffs' Complaint, and within one year of the institution of Plaintiffs' suit, in compliance with 28 U.S.C. §1446(b)(3) and (c).
- 26. Counsel has consulted with counsel for Co-Defendants, Uber Technologies, Inc. and Raiser, LLC and Co-Defendants consent to the removal of this matter. Email correspondence with counsel for Co-Defendants, Uber Technologies, Inc. and Raiser, LLC consenting to removal of this matter is attached as Exhibit "5."

27. As all of the parties to this action are diverse and the amount in controversy exceeds \$75,000, this Court has original jurisdiction under the provisions of 28 U.S.C. §1332 and this case may be removed to this Court by this Defendant pursuant to the of 28 U.S.C. §1441 and §1446.

WHEREFORE, Defendant, Karen Lyles respectfully requests that the Philadelphia County action be removed to this Honorable Court.

JURY TRIAL IS DEMANDED

Respectfully submitted,

DEASEY, MAHONEY & VALENTINI, LTD.

BY:

FRANCIS J. DEASEY, ESQUIRE HENRI MARCEL, ESQUIRE BRIAN M. PEREZ, ESQUIRE MATTHEW R. MELLON, ESQUIRE Attorneys for Answering Defendant, Karen Lyles

Dated:

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By:

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UBER TECHNOLOGIES, INC. and

RAISER, LCC and KAREN LYLES

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PHILADELPHIA, COUNTY OCTOBER TERM, 2019 NO. 000170

NOTICE TO PLAINTIFF

TO:

Joseph Monaco, Esquire

Kane & Silverman

2401 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 1A-5

Philadelphia, PA 19130

Please take notice that Defendant, Karen Lyles has filed a Notice of Removal in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, removing this civil action now pending in the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1441, et seg. Also, please take notice that Defendant has filed in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania a copy of the Complaint served upon it which was filed in the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County.

Copies of this Notice of Removal and Complaint are attached to this Notice and along with this Notice are being served upon you.

DEASEY, MAHONEY & VALENTINI, LTD.

BY

MATTHEW R. MELLON, ESQUIRE

Counsel for Defendant,

Karen Lyles

Date: 1/8/2030

By:

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COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PHILADELPHIA, COUNTY OCTOBER TERM, 2019 NO. 000170

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on January 10, 2020, a copy of the foregoing Praecipe to File Notice of Removal was mailed first-class, postage prepaid, to counsel for Plaintiffs at the following address:

Joseph Monaco, Esquire Kane & Silverman 2401 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 1A-5 Philadelphia, PA 19130

Fred J. Lorusso, Esquire Goldberg Segalla 1700 Market Street, Suite 1418 Philadelphia, PA 19103-3907

DEASEY, MAHONEY & VALENTINI, LTD.

BY

MATTHEW R. MELLON, ESQUIRE

Counsel for Defendant,

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PRAECIPE TO FILE NOTICE OF REMOVAL

TO THE PROTHONOTARY:

Kindly file the attached copy of the Notice of Removal, the original of which was filed with the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania on January 10, 2020. This Notice of Removal was filed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1446(d).

DEASEY, MAHONEY & VALENTINI, LTD.

BY

MATTHEW R. MELLON, ESQUIRE

Counsel for Defendant,

Karen Lyles

Date: 1/8/2020

EXHIBIT 1

KANE & SILVERMAN, P.C.

By: Joseph Monaco, Esquire

Identification No.: 56123

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KEVIN JEKEL

and

ERIN OLSOVSKY

Plaintiffs

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UBER TECHNOLOGIES,

RAISER, LLC

and

KAREN LYLES

Defendants

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

No. 191000170

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE KAREN LYLES

TO THE PROTHONOTARY:

I, Joseph Monaco, Esquire, being duly sworn according to law depose and say that on October 8, 2019, I forwarded a true and correct copy of the Praecipe and Writ of Summons to Defendant, Karen Lyles, by Certified Mail with Return Receipt Requested. Said Defendant was served on or about October 11, 2019. Attached are copies of the cover letter and signed CMRRR green card.

KANE & SILVERMAN, P.C.

Date: October 29, 2019

By: /s/
Joseph Monaco, Esquire

Attorney for Plaintiff



Joseph Monaco, Esquire Member of PA & NJ Bar

D 215-599-6544

F 215-232-0181 E JMonaco@PalegalAdvice.com

October 8, 2019

Via Certified Mail 7018 1830 0002 2629 6186 Return Receipt Requested KAREN LYLES 215 Labrador Lane Townsend, DE 19734

Re:

Kevin Jekel and Erin Olsovsky v. Uber Technologies et al.

Philadelphia County, CCP No. 1910000170

Our File No. 206362

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please note that a Writ of Summons was filed in the Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas being No. 191000170.

You have been sued in Court and if you wish to defend against the claim as set forth in the Complaint, you must take action within twenty (20) days from the date of this letter. If you fail to have a written appearance personally or by an attorney filed in writing with the Court, you may lose your money, property or other rights important to you.

Take the enclosed papers to your lawyer at once; if you do not have a lawyer or cannot afford one, go to or telephone your local Lawyer Reference Service.

If you were insured as of the date of the accident, October 3, 2018, send these papers to your liability insurance carrier so that they can enter a written appearance on your behalf.

Very truly yours,

KANE & SILVERMAN, P.C.

By: Joseph Monaco, Esq.

JM/smr Enclosure

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EXHIBIT 2

DEASEY, MAHONEY & VALENTINI, LTD. Filed and Attested by the FRANCIS J. DEASEY, ESQUIRE Attorneys for Defendante of Judicial Records By: Attorney I.D. No. 25699 Karen Lyles 1601 Market Street, Suite 3400 Philadelphia, PA 19103-2301 (215) 587-9400 - Office (215) 587-9456 - Facsimile KEVIN JEKEL and : COURT OF COMMON PLEAS : PHILADELPHIA COUNTY ERIN OLSOVSKY Plaintiff, OCTOBER TERM, 2019 V. : No. 000170 UBER TECHNOLOGIES, et al. Defendants. : JURY TRIAL DEMANDED PRACEIPE FOR RULE TO FILE COMPLAINT TO THE PROTHONOTARY: Kindly issue a Rule upon Plaintiff to file a Complaint in the above matter within thirty (30) days after the date of service of the Rule or suffer the entry of judgment of non-pros. DEASEY, MAHONEY & VALENTINI, LTD. By: RULE TO FILE COMPLAINT Plaintiff TO: You are notified that a Rule is hereby entered upon you to file a Complaint within thirty (30) days after the date of service of this Rule upon you. If you do not file a Complaint within this time, a JUDGMENT OF NON PROS will be entered against you.

Dated:

Prothonotary

Clerk

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: COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

Plaintiff.

OCTOBER TERM, 2019

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No. 000170

UBER TECHNOLOGIES, et al.

Defendants.

: JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Francis J. Deasey, Esquire, attorney for Defendant, Karen Lyles, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of within Praecipe for Rule to File Complaint was served upon the following individual via U.S. First Class Mail this 29th day of October, 2019:

Joseph Monaco, Esquire Kane & Silverman 2401 Pennsylvania Avenue Suite 1A-5 Philadelphia PA 19130

Respectfully submitted,

DEASEY, MAHONEY & VALENTINI, LTD.

BY:

FRANCIS J. DEASEY, ESQUIRE

EXHIBIT 3

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Defendants

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

No. 191000170

PRAECIPE TO REISSUE WRIT OF SUMMONS 2V MOTOR VEHICLE

TO THE PROTHONOTARY:

Please reissue a Writ of Summons on behalf of the Plaintiffs and against the Defendants in the above matter.

KANE & SILVERMAN, P.C.

Date: October 29, 2019

By: /s/

Joseph Monaco, Esquire

Attorney for Plaintiff

Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County Trial Division

Civil Cover Sheet

For Prothonotary Use Only (Docket Number)

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PLAINTIFF'S NAME KEVIN JEKEL			DEFENDANT'S NAME UBER TECHNOLOGIES			
PLAINTIFF'S ADDRESS 2644 COLLINS STREET PHILADELPHIA PA 19125			DEFENDANT'S ADDRESS 405 HOWARD STREET SAN FRANCISCO CA 94105			
PLAINTIFF'S NAME ERIN OLSOVSKY			DEFENDANT'S NAME RAISER, LLC			
PLAINTIFF'S ADDRESS 2644 COLLINS STREET PHILADELPHIA PA 19125			DEFENDANT'S ADDRESS 1455 MARKET STREET SAN FRANCISCO CA 94105			
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ASSESSMENT OF

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2644 Collins Street Philadelphia, PA 19125

and

ERIN OLSOVSKY

2644 Collins Street Philadelphia, PA 19125

Plaintiffs

v.

UBER TECHNOLOGIES,

405 Howard Street

San Francisco, CA 94105

RAISER, LLC

1455 Market Street

San Francisco, CA 94103

and

KAREN LYLES

215 Labrador Lane

Townsend, DE 19734

Defendants

191000170

No.

PRAECIPE TO ISSUE WRIT OF SUMMONS 2V MOTOR VEHICLE

TO THE PROTHONOTARY:

Please issue a Writ of Summons on behalf of the Plaintiffs and against the Defendants in the above matter.

KANE & SILVERMAN, P.C.

Date: October 7, 2019 By: ____/s/

Joseph Monaco, Esquire Attorney for Plaintiff

Summons Citacion

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania County of Philadelphia

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Court of Common Pleas

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KEVIN JEKEL and ERIN OLSOVSKY
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UBER TECHNOLOGIES et al. Defendant

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EXHIBIT 4

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Plaintiffs

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CIVIL NO. 191000170

UBER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

RAISER, LLC

and

KAREN LYLES

Defendants

CIVIL ACTION 2V Motor Vehicle Accident

NOTICE

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You have been sued in court. If you wish to defend against the claims set forth in the following pages, you must take action within twenty (20) days after this complaint and notice are served by entering a written appearance personally or by attorney and filing in writing with the court your defenses or objections to the claims set forth against you. You are warned that if you fall to do so the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against you by the court without further notice for any money claimed in the complaint or for any other claim or relief requested by the Plaintiff. You may lose money or property or other rights important to you.

YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS PAPER TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER OR CANNOT AFFORD ONE, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET LEGAL HELP.

PHILADELPHIA BAR ASSOCIATION LAWYER REFERRAL AND INFORMATION SERVICE One Reading Center Philadelphia, PA 19107 (215) 238-1701

Le han demandado a usted en la corte. Si usted quiere defenderse de estas demandas expuestas en as paginas siguientes, usted tiene veinte (20) dias, de plazo al partir de la fecha de la demanda y la notificacion. Hace falta asentar una comparencia escrita o en personal o con un abogado y entregar a la corte en forma escrita sus defensas o sus objeciones a las demandas en contra de su persona. Se avisado que si usted no se defiende, la corte tomara medidas y puede continuar la demanda en contra suya sin previo aviso o notificacion. Ademas, la corte puede decidir a favor del demandante y requiere que usted cumpla con todas las provisiones de esta demanda. Usted puede perder dinero o sus propiedades u otros derechos importantes para usted.

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Civil Action Complaint

- Plaintiffs Kevin Jekel and Erin Olsovsky are married adult individuals residing at 2644
 Collins Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19125.
- 2. Defendant Uber Technologies, Inc. is an entity of unknown origin with a place of business located at 1455 Market Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, California 94105.
- Defendant Raiser, LLC is an entity of unknown origin with a place of business located at
 1455 Market Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, California 94105.
- 4. Defendant Karen Lyles is an adult individual residing at 215 Labrador Lane, Townsend, Delaware 19734.
- 5. At all times material hereto, Defendants acted and/or failed to act individually, jointly, and/or severally by and through their authorized agents, workers, employees and/or servants.
- 6. At all times relevant hereto, Karen Lyles was a duly authorized agent, worker, servant and/or employee of Defendants Uber Technologies, Inc. and/or Raiser, LLC and was acting within the scope and course of her employment.
- 7. Prior to being hired by Defendants, Uber Technologies, Inc. and/or Raiser, LLC, Defendant Karen Lyles had an unsafe and irresponsible driving history.
- 8. On October 3, 2018, Defendant Karen Lyles was operating a 2015 Nissan Rogue, Delaware license plate #PC126956, while transporting two passengers as a driver for Uber Technologies, Inc. and/or Raiser, LLC near the intersection of Amber Street and Lehigh Avenue in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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- 9. While stopped at a stop sign on Amber Street at the T- intersection of Lehigh Avenue and beyond the clearly marked stop line and crosswalk, Defendant Karen Lyles placed her vehicle in reverse and without looking and keeping a proper lookout, backed up and struck Plaintiff Kevin Jekel, who was stopped on his motorcycle directly behind the vehicle operated by Defendant Karen Lyles.
- 10. When Defendant Karen Lyles' vehicle struck the motorcycle being operating by Plaintiff, her vehicle caused damage to the motorcycle and caused the motorcycle to fall onto Plaintiff and then onto the ground.
- 11. While Plaintiff Kevin Jekel was attempting to gather information from Defendant and call for police assistance, Defendant Karen Lyles attempted to flee the scene of the accident by getting into the driver's seat of her vehicle, placing the vehicle in drive and beginning to drive away.
- 12. Plaintiff Kevin Jekel attempted to prevent Defendant Karen Lyles from driving away by holding onto her car and then fearing for his life, jumped on the hood of her car.
- 13. Instead of stopping and remaining at the scene of the accident as required by law, Defendant Karen Lyles drove off at a high and extremely dangerous rate of speed with Plaintiff on the hood of her car.
- 14. Defendant Karen Lyles drove an entire city block at a high and extremely dangerous rate of speed with Plaintiff on the hood of her vehicle before Plaintiff fell off and landed upon the ground.
- 15. Defendant Karen Lyles fled the scene and never returned, nor did she report the accident to law enforcement.

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- 16. By reason of the aforesaid and as a direct result thereof, Plaintiff Kevin Jekel sustained serious, severe and permanent physical injuries in and about the person, more particularly: musculoskeletal sprains and strains, bilateral leg injuries, numerous road rash abrasions and contusions about the body, stress fracture, closed head injury, radiculopathy, dis protrusions and herniations, a severe shock to his nerves and nervous system and he was otherwise injured.
- 17. By reason of the aforesaid and as a direct result thereof, the Plaintiff has incurred medical expenses for the treatment of said injuries and may incur additional medical expenses into the future.
- 18. By reason of the aforesaid and as a direct result thereof, Plaintiff has suffered physical pain, mental anguish, loss of life's pleasures and humiliation, and may continue to suffer same for an indefinite period of time into the future.
- 19. By reason of the aforesaid and as a direct result thereof, the Plaintiff has been unable and/or limited in performing customary, daily physical activities, all of which may be to great financial damage and loss.

Count 1 Plaintiff Kevin Jekel v. Defendants

- 20. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the preceding paragraphs as though set fully forth herein at length.
- 21. The aforesaid occurrence was due entirely to the improper actions of Defendants and consists of the following:
 - a. Failure to have said motor vehicle under proper and adequate control;
 - Operating said motor vehicle at a dangerous rate of speed under the circumstances;

- c. Failure to observe surrounding traffic conditions;
- d. Fleeing the scene of an accident;
- e. Operating said vehicle with a person on the hood; and
- f. Failure to properly maintenance of said motor vehicle.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment against the Defendant in a sum in excess of \$50,000.00.

Count 2
Plaintiff Kevin Jekel v. Uber Technologies, Inc. and Raiser, LLC

- 22. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the preceding paragraphs as though set fully forth herein at length.
- 23. At all times material hereto, Defendants Uber Technologies, Inc. and/or Raiser LLC held out Defendant Karen Lyles as their agent, worker, employee and/or servant by their words and conduct necessary to impose vicarious liability upon said Defendants for the aforesaid actions and inactions of Defendant Karen Lyles, while acting within the scope and course of her employment with said Defendants.
- 24. At all times relevant hereto, Defendants Uber Technologies, Inc. and/or Raiser LLC, upon information and belief, exercised and retained sufficient control over Defendant Karen Lyles to establish a principal-agent relationship necessary to impose vicarious liability upon said Defendants for the aforesaid actions and inactions of Defendant Karen Lyles.

- 25. Defendants Uber Technologies, Inc. and/or Raiser LLC failed to properly screen, investigate, hire, train, monitor and/or supervise Defendant Karen Lyles before and/or while she was entrusted with authority to operate a transportation service on their behalf upon the roadways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and in doing so failed to exercise reasonable care to employ a competent and law-abiding contractor to do work that involved a risk of physical harm to other motorists and pedestrians unless the service was skillfully and carefully done or perform a duty which the Defendants owed to third persons, particularly other motorists and pedestrians on the roadway, including Plaintiff Kevin Jekel.
- 26. Defendants Uber Technologies, Inc. and/or Raiser LLC failed to exercise reasonable care in their hiring and retention procedures of Defendant Karen Lyles in that said Defendants knew, or by the exercise of reasonable care, should have known, of Defendant Lyles' history of unsafe and irresponsible driving behavior.
- 27. By reason of the aforesaid and as a direct result thereof, the Plaintiff has suffered the harm and damages herein set forth.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment against the Defendant in a sum in excess of \$50,000.00.

Count 3 Plaintiff Erin Olsovsky v. Defendants

- 28. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the preceding paragraphs as though set fully forth herein at length.
 - 29. At all times material hereto, Plaintiffs have been married.

30. By reason of the aforesaid and as a direct result thereof, Plaintiff Erin Olsovsky lost in the past and will continue to lose into the future, the companionship, affection, society, comfort and services of her husband, Plaintiff Kevin Jekel.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment against the Defendant in a sum in excess of \$50,000.00.

KANE & SILVERMAN, PC

By:_

Joseph Monaco, Esquire Attorney for Plaintiff(s)

VERIFICATION

Kevin Jekel, states that he is the plaintiff in the above action and verifies that the statements made in the foregoing pleading are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief. He understands that the statements therein are made subject to the penalties of 18 PA. C.S., Section 4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Dated: Nov 9 20/9

EXHIBIT 5

Brian M. Perez

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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